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HOUSE BILL NO. 1615

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AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PAYING THE EXPENSES AND PROVIDING CONTINGENT FUNDS FOR THE LEGISLATURE, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE BUDGET COMMITTEE, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON PERFORMANCE EVALUATION AND EXPENDITURE REVIEW, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT LEGISLATIVE REAPPORTIONMENT COMMITTEE, THE EXPENSES OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON COMPILATION, REVISION AND PUBLICATION OF LEGISLATION, PAYING THE MONTHLY EXPENSE ALLOWANCE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE LEGISLATURE, PAYING THE STATE'S SHARE OF VARIOUS ASSESSMENTS, AND RELATED PURPOSES, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

SECTION 1. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying salaries, mileage, insurance, matching funds and the daily expense allowance of the members of the Legislature for the Regular Session of 2011 and providing contingent funds for the House of Representatives and Senate for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011, as follows:

For salaries, mileage, insurance,
matching funds and daily
expense allowance of members
of the House of Representatives \$3,521,137.00

For Contingent Fund for the
House of Representatives \$4,678,448.00

Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund for the House of Representatives, not more than Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) shall be expended for defraying the expenses of and for the use of the members of the Mississippi Commission on

Interstate Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq.,
Mississippi Code of 1972.

For salaries, mileage, insurance,
matching funds and daily
expense allowance of members
of the Senate \$1,571,908.00
For Contingent Fund for the Senate \$3,813,091.00
Out of the above amount appropriated for the Contingent Fund
for the Senate, not more than Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00)
shall be expended for defraying the expenses of and for the use of
the members of the Mississippi Commission on Interstate
Cooperation, as created under Section 5-5-1 et seq., Mississippi
Code of 1972.

For the joint legislative operations of the House of
Representatives and the Senate \$1,235,879.00
For the expenses of the Joint Legislative
Budget Committee \$2,576,395.00
For the expenses of the Joint Legislative
Committee on Performance Evaluation
and Expenditure Review \$1,890,042.00
For the expenses of the Joint Legislative
Reapportionment Committee \$ 868,125.00
For the expenses of the Joint Committee on
Compilation, Revision and Publication of
Legislation \$ 138,445.00

The Joint Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall
prepare, publish and provide semiannual reports to each member of
the Legislature and such reports shall provide a line-by-line
detailed accounting of all receipts and expenditures of any and
all monies appropriated by the Legislature to the Joint
Legislative Reapportionment Committee. Any meetings of the Joint
Legislative Reapportionment Committee shall be held in state
offices or at publicly owned facilities.

SECTION 2. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the Joint Legislative Reapportionment Committee, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Joint Legislative Reapportionment Committee, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011 \$ 1,888.00.

SECTION 3. The following sums, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the monthly expense allowance of the members of the Legislature, as provided in Section 5-1-41, Mississippi Code of 1972, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011, as follows:

For the House of Representatives \$2,476,184.00.
For the Senate \$1,075,265.00.

SECTION 4. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the purpose of paying the state's share of various assessments for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011 \$ 154,616.00.

Of the funds authorized in this section, the following distribution shall be made:

Southern States Energy Board	\$ 12,357.00
Southern Growth Policies Agreement	\$ 11,975.00
Interstate Cooperation	\$ 100,874.00
National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws	\$ 15,810.00
The Energy Council	\$ 13,600.00

SECTION 5. It is the intention of the Legislature that whenever two (2) or more bids are received by this Legislature for the purchase of commodities or equipment, and whenever all things

stated in such received bids are equal with respect to price, quality and service, the Mississippi Industries for the Blind shall be given preference. A similar preference shall be given to the Mississippi Industries for the Blind whenever purchases are made without competitive bids.

SECTION 6. It is the intention of the Legislature that the agency shall compile cell phone usage records of any cellular phone (wireless communication device) that is assigned, issued or made available to any officer or employee in accordance with Section 25-53-191, Mississippi Code of 1972, and these records shall be made publicly available at the expense of the agency.

SECTION 7. It is legislative intent to ensure beneficial information reaches as many Mississippians as possible. Further, it is legislative intent that the expenditure of public funds for this purpose be accomplished in an efficient and effective manner.

Therefore, state agencies as standard procedure will observe the following criteria:

- (a) Develop goals and desired result for a campaign.
- (b) Evaluate effectiveness through respected advertising standards, including market reach and cost effectiveness.
- (c) Seek public service announcements, which would be aired by media without cost.
- (d) Itemize and justify professional assistance and related expenses for creative and production costs outside of the actual media expenditures.
- (e) Utilize Mississippi-owned media companies when feasible.

SECTION 8. It is the intention of the Legislature that this agency shall have the authority to receive, budget and expend funds from any source that may become available to them as a result of the passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 in accordance with the rules and regulations of the

Department of Finance and Administration in a manner consistent with the escalation of federal funds.

The Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall have the authority to approve escalations of funds and employee positions using funds from any source available due to the passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

The Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall immediately send notice of the approval of such budget escalation to the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee, the Senate Appropriations Committee and the Legislative Budget Office. Within fifteen (15) days of such approval, the Executive Director of the Department of Finance and Administration shall ensure that the Legislative Budget Office receives detailed and accurate information about the amount and use of federal and special source funds by state agencies as a result of the passage of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009.

SECTION 9. No former employee who is receiving State of Mississippi retirement benefits shall be hired under contract for an amount exceeding Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) a year without prior approval by an agency's proper governing board or authority. Upon approval of such contracts, a written report shall be submitted detailing the cost and need of such contract services to the Chairmen and members of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees.

SECTION 10. None of the funds appropriated under the provisions of this act may be used to pay or reimburse any expenses of out-of-state travel for any member or employee of the House of Representatives without prior approval of the House Management Committee or for any member or employee of the Senate without prior approval of the Senate Rules Committee.

SECTION 11. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the House of Representatives for the purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds, as authorized in House Bill No. 45, Second Extraordinary Session of 2009, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011 \$300,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2010.

SECTION 12. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Senate for the purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds, as authorized in House Bill No. 45, Second Extraordinary Session of 2009, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011 \$320,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2010.

SECTION 13. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the joint operations of the House of Representatives and the Senate for the purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds, as authorized in House Bill No. 45, Second Extraordinary Session of 2009, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011 \$108,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2010.

SECTION 14. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State

General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Joint Legislative Budget Committee for the purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds, as authorized in House Bill No. 45, Second Extraordinary Session of 2009, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011 \$250,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2010.


SECTION 15. The following sum, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby reappropriated out of any money in the State General Fund not otherwise appropriated, for the Joint Legislative Committee on Performance Evaluation and Expenditure Review for the purpose of reauthorizing the expenditure of State General Funds, as authorized in House Bill No. 45, Second Extraordinary Session of 2009, for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2010, and ending June 30, 2011 \$54,000.00.

Notwithstanding the amount reappropriated under the provisions of this section, in no event shall the amount expended exceed the unexpended balance of June 30, 2010.

SECTION 16. The money herein appropriated shall be paid by the State Treasurer out of any money in the State Treasury to the credit of the proper fund or funds as set forth in this act, upon warrants issued by the State Fiscal Officer; and the State Fiscal Officer shall issue his warrants upon requisitions signed by the proper person, officer or officers, in the manner provided by law.

SECTION 17. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2010.

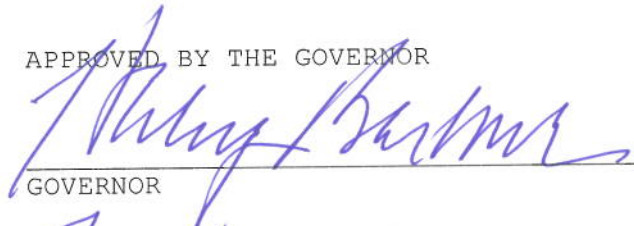
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April 21, 2010


SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

PASSED BY THE SENATE
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PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

APPROVED BY THE GOVERNOR


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